

Please type a plus sign (+) inside this box → +

PTO/SB/08A (10-96)

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

A circular stamp from the Office of Industrial Property (OIPE) of Spain. The outer ring contains the text "O I P E" at the top and "S E C R E T A R I A" at the bottom. The inner circle contains the date "MAR 26 2001".

Substitute for form 1449A/PTO

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet 1

Sheet 1 of 1

She

She

Complete if Known

Approved by the U.S. Office of Management and Budget
Patent and Trademark Office U S DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number

Application Number	09/761,384
Filing Date	January 16, 2001
First Named Inventor	Arthur G. Duppstadt
Group Art Unit	2873
Examiner Name	N/A
Attorney Docket Number	049440-00004

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner
Signature

Date
Considered

270

*EXAMINER. Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Enter the application identification number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter

¹ Unique citation designation number. ² See attached Kinds of U.S. Patent Documents. ³ This is the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number. (MROG Standard ST-3) ⁴ For Japanese patent documents the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number.

code (WIPO Standard ST.1.3).⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of publication is omitted.⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if one of the extract documents.

number of the patent document. • Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated below.

For example, depending upon the needs of the individual case, an English language translation may be required.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments or the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231.